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MAURITANIAN AMBASSADOR, NORMALLY EVEN KEELED IN HIS ASSESSMENT OF RELATIONS BETWEEN US AND ARAB STATES, WAS HIGHLY CRITICAL OF US IN CONVERSATION WITH DEPTOFF MAY 21. SAID US FOREIGN POLICY MAKERS HAVE NO ONE BUT THEMSELVES TO BLAME FOR SOVIET BUILDUP IN LIBYA, WHICH HE DESCRIBED AS LIBYAN RESPONSE TO US THREATS AGAINST OIL PRODUCERS. HE SAID MAURITANIANS AND OTHER ARAB NEIGHBORS OF LIBYA VERY WORRIED BY THIS BUILDUP WHICH COULD HAVE DESTABALIZING IMPACT WITHIN NORTH AFRICA. KISSINGER

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